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For: **A NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENT FOR
LOWERING SERUM TRIGLYCERIDE
AND CHOLESTEROL LEVELS**

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In the Office Action of June 5, 2000, the Examiner has require restriction between eight groups of claims. Applicant notes that Group V. and Group VI. would appear to be identical. Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group II., i.e., claims 1, 2, and 5-11 directed to a nutritional supplement comprising a sterol and a fatty acid.

The Examiner has also required that a species be elected. Applicant hereby elects the species set forth in claims 5 and 7, i.e., eicosapentanoic acid 20:5 ω 3 (EPA) or stigmasterol.

Respectfully submitted,

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